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# NATIONAL BOARD OF TRADE IS NOW IN SESSION HERE

President Will Try to Move Headquarters Here.

### MANY PROPOSITIONS UP

Railway Freight Rates, Merchant Marine, and Other Questions.

Willard Hotel shortly after noon today were 200 or more intelligent and pros oking men from the principal cities of the country, delegates to the tional Board of Trade, called together to discuss matters of vital interest to the commercial and financial interests

Today's session was called to order by President J. J. Sullivan, of Cleve-land, Ohio. Colonel Sullivan is the leading figure in the organization. He was the first to see the possibilities of such an institution, and inaugurated the plan for its development. He is president of the Central National Bank of Cleve land, and the First National Bank, of Canton, Ohio. He is a commanding figure in the business world, and his varied experiences have fitted him admirably for the position he holds.

### The National Spokesman.

Charles Summer Hamlin, of Boston formerly Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, is vice president, and W. R. Tucker, of Philadelphia, is secretary. A. T. Anderson, of Cleveland, is special commissioner of the organization, his duty being to visit the local boards of trade throughout the country and in terest them in the national organization He is also the spokesman of the na tional body before Congress, when meas ures in which there is an interest to the business men or the country, are

Chairman Sullivan appointed slah Marvel, of Wilmington, Del.; C Chairman Sullivan appointed W. Chase, of Cleveland, and John M. Harper, of Philadelphia, as a committee on credentials, after which the sec-retary announced a number of commit-tees to consider and report upon sug-gestions which have been brought be-fore the consideration of the convention.

### Banquet Tomorrow.

A banquet, with Speaker Cannon, Vice President-elect Fairbanks, Senators Foraker and Dick as the most distinguished guests, will be held tomorrow night in the New Willard

Besides giving weighty consideration to the 1sthmian Canal and the railway freight rate propositions the board will, during the session, discuss and recomreforms in the consular service and a lower postage rate.

From the proposed resolutions so far submitted by the various boards, consicerable attention seems to have been paid to the merchant marine. The Boston Chamber of Commerce, New Orleans Trade and Transportation. Philadelphia Ehlch resulted in the repeal of the old matters to a satisfactory adjustment, and the reorganization on the present increases after, have each proposed receive under Government supervision. port Association, have each proposed resolutions in support of the bill now before Congress, the work of the Congres sional Merchant Marine Commission.

### Against Ship Subsidy.

The only voice of objection against ship subsidy comes in a resolution from the Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce based on the general demand for tariff revision, under which it considers the annropriation of public funds for building up a particular trade, bad policy.

The New Orleans Board of Trade has

submitted a plan of creating a steamship company, with a capital of \$5,000,tions of the subsidy law, to take advar tage of the Panama Canal route, in appropriating Pacific Ocean traffic to American interests. It points out the necessity of American shipping carrying American goods in the commercial

Conquest of the Orient.

Numerous resolutions will be offered favoring Government supervision of

### WEATHER REPORT.

The pressure continues to fail rapidly in the West, except in the Pacific States, and there has been a general and decided rise in temperature in the Rocky Mountain and slope regions and the central valleys. They are still, howin the South.

west of the Rocky Mountains, while to the eastward the weather has been fair, except from the lake region eastward,

where there were local snows. The weather will be fair tonight and cent in the lower lake region, where snows will continue, and in the Obio Valley, where there will be rain or be obtained.

Temperatures will be somewhat higher. THE SUN.

Sun sets tomorrow... Sun rises tomorrow...

## RESIGNATION OF COMBES CABINET COMES AT LAST

After Long Troubles, Resulting in Failure of Vote of Confidence From Deputies, French Ministry Signs Itself Out.

The chamber of deputies, hearing of his act of the cabinet, raised their sitting until the ministerial crisis was

Troubles of Ministry.

The trouble which has resulted in this The trouble which has resulted in this step of the Combes ministry dates back hearly a year. Dissatisfaction with the government has been shown on numergovernment has been shown on numer us occasions since that time.

The first trouble was with regard to the government's act in expelling the clerical schools from France. This op-position blew over and for a time it ooked as though the government was

secure.
Then came numerous small matters, all of them proving the straws which showed adverse feelings to the gov-ernment had been and were daily be-coming more pronounced.

War Minister Struck.

In the latter part of 1904 came the interpellations in the chamber, during the course of which Deputy Syveton the course of which Deputy Syveton Minister of the colonies—Deputy Douslapped the face of General Andre, the mergue

PARIS, Jan. 17.-The French cabinet, minister of war, in the presence of the M. Combes, premier, today resigned.

At a cabinet council this morning, the ministry signed a composite letter of had been assailed and lessened by the incident

Finally, last week, the chamber was the scene of greater disturbances than had occurred since the Dreyfus trial. The general policy of the government was assailed, and in no uncertain

### The Outgoing Cabinet.

The Combes cabinet follows: Premier and minister of the interio

Minister of justice-Senator Valle.

Minister of war-M Berteaux Minister of agriculture-Deputy Mau

# Red Cross Leaders Named by President

Incorporators and Central Committee of Organization Which, by Recent Act, Is Under Federal Supervision.

the American National Red Cross, the named persons to act as incorporators of aid association

Alvey A. Adee, Assistant Secretary of

N., retired, chairman; Francis B. Loom-is, Assistant Secretary of State; Charles ury, and Justice. Hallam Keep, Assistant Secretary of the President Sullivan will make an earnest effort, and it is believed a successful one, to have a permanent head-quarters of the national board established in Washington. If this proposition is carried, Commissioner Anderson will remove his office from Cleveland to Weshington.

From the proposed resolutions so far

Terms of New Act. duced in Congress after the Red Cross a special committee, ciety under Covernment supervision.

In accordance with the provisions of | Red Cross," which is the new title be the act of Congress approved January 5, stowed upon the organization, shall con-1905, providing for the incorporation of sist in the first instance of a central committee numbering eighteen persons, to be a)pointed in the manner following: Six by the incorporators and twelve by the President of the United States, one of whom shall be designated by the President to act as chairman. The act further says:

Alvey A. Adee, Assistant Secretary of State.

Charles Hallam Keep, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Erig. Gen., George B. Davis, Judge Advocate General United States Army.

Louis A. Pradt, Assistant Attorney General.

Medical Director John C. Boyd, U. S. N.

The following named persons have been appointed members of the central committee of the American National Red Cross:

Surg. Gen. W. K. Van Reypen, U. S. Surg. Gen. W. K. Van Reypen, U. S. N., retired, chairman; Francis B. Loomis, Assistant Secretary of State; Charles are the case of the State and Territorial societies and societies and six by the President of the Chrited States, one of whom shall be designated by him as chairman and one cach to be named by him from the Departments of State, War, Navy, Treasof State, War, Navy, Treas-

### Result of Investigation.

committee was asked by some of the members of the society to act as an The act referred to under which the designations are made is the one introduced in Congress after the Red Grant Senator Proctor was the chairman of the board. The final outcome was that President Roosevelt offered to bring

## America May Get Copy Of "Titus Andronicus"

Unique Edition Found in Sweden-London Press Fears English Gold Will Be Too Scarce to Buy Rare Volume.

has jus b en astenance.

cry of a hitherto unknown edition of Shakespeare's play, "Titus Andronicus."

It was we'l known that an edition of this play has issued in 1594 at the modest sum of sixpence, but up to now not copy have ever come to light.

What adds greater interest to the find is real it was not discovered in the neighborhood of Shakesjeare's bloth-place, nor in the purificus of the Rose Theater, where, it is believed, it was first performed, but in faw away Switch and the probability, some den whither, in all probability, some of the state of the play in the probability, some of the probability, some of the play in the probability, some of the play in the pla den, whither, in all prebability, some playgoing Swede had taken it after a playgoing Swede had taken it after a

Only last April the second part of Henry IV, one of the bard's rarest quartos, realized £1,0%, and if the above quartos, realized £1,0%, and if the above of the postoffices of several of the play follows the usual course it will largest cities in the United States are also appear in the Wellington Street in conference at the Postoffice Departauction rooms, where, it is safe to say. ment today upon technical matters re-

London papers, commenting on the re-

LON: ON, Jan. 17.—The literary world by the British Museum.

But fear is also expressed that a superior unknown edition of of a hitherto unknown edition of these days of American compet.

London papers, commenting on the remarkable find, express themselves in attendance are John Washington, of the New York city postoffice; "A veritable romance," says the "Evening Standard."
"It deserves a high place in the romance of bibliography," says the "Pall Mall Cazette."

# AMERICA MAY BALK PLAN OF C7AR TO SEIZE CHINA PORT

paring Appeal to Powers.

Neutrality Thought to Veil Warlike Purpose.

It is the belief in diplomatic circles that Secretary Hay is preparing a sec-ond note to the powers on the subject of the preservation of China's neutrality.

One cause ascribed for Russia's protest as to alleged violations of this neutrality is that it is a deliberately manufactured excuse to give Russia a chance to seize a Chinese port in which the Baltic fleet now on its way to Japan may seek shelter.

### Diplomatic Conjecture.

do her own will in case China continue the alleged violations it is generally thought there is a deeper motive than

First of all, it is believed Eussia wants to take some action against China, and is preparing the way for an attainment of this object without incurring the dis-pleasure of the other governments or breaking her agreement to preserve Chinese neutrality, which resulted from representations made by Secretary Hay.

One idea suggested which is a cause of oncern is that Russia desires to enarge the field of operations and carry the war beyond Manchur a. Another is that the note is but a forerunner of pecuniary and territorial claims at the end of the war should Russia be sucessful.

fleet in the Far East suggests that Russia wants to selze a Chinese port and se it as a base for the Baltic fleet and he other fleet which may follow. Such a base is a necessity for Russia, and it of the church? could easily be obtained if Russia disregarded China's neutrality. The announcement in the recent note that she would use a free hand in dealing with China furnishes a basis for the conjectures which have open made on this score.

The Charles E. Merrill case was again.

This action means that the American Government again warns China of the necessity for a faithful maintenance of

necessity for a faithful maintenance of her neutrality, not only in her personal interest. but in the interest of the world's peace.

It is declared that this step cannot in any way be construed as indicating that this Government assumes responsibility for the charges made by Russia. Indeed, the State Department has received no information through its legation at Pekin or through the various American Pekin or through the various American consulates in China that the Chinese are violating the rules of neutrals.

Nevertheless, in view of Russin's expressed anxiety over the situation in China, which her investigation discioses, the American Government is ready to do what it can to save Chira and other seutral powers from the fargraching complications which it is feared would follow an extension to Chinese territory of the zone of hestilities.

### PLEAD WITH CZAR TO END THE WAR

LONDON, Jan . 17. - The London "Times' " correspondents say an agita tion in favor of peace is being started by number of eminent citizens of St. Petto the Czar representing the uselessness of the war and urging that as the govof the war and urging that as the govalso.

swers were very manning. Witness of any of them.

of any of them.

"I am an innocent man, and I have at this stage of the proceedings the of the war and urging that as the gov-WERE IN CONFERENCE of the war and urging that as the government has not proved itself competent to carry the war to a successful issue, it should not be allowed to continue to of the postoffices of several of the

sians to its normal course.

Advices from St. Petersburg say it has been hinted in certain quarters that the fail of Port Arthur might possibly render Russia more receptive to a proposal of mediation with a view to the termination of hostilities.

# OATHS CONCEALED FROM COMMITTEE

Hay Believed to Be Pre- Judge Young Declines to Give Any Information.

### CHINA AGAIN WARNED DIVIDE PUBLIC OFFICES

Note Alleging Breach of One Senator a Mormon and One a Gentile.

> The Smoot inquiry today was occupie principally with the testimony of one of Brigham Young's grandsons, Judge Young, president of one of the four stakes of the Mormon Church in Salt Lake City. Like previous witnesses, he declined to testify regarding the endowment house oaths, which he has taken, and gave his answers in a gen-

erally non-committal way. Preceding Judge Young's testimony the committee recalled Judge William McCarthy, of the supreme court of Utah, who was on the stand late yester The object of the Russian note of day afternoon. His testimony related warning regarding Chinese neutrality is to political matters. He declared there warning regarding Chinese neutrality is a matter of conjecture among officials of the State Department and the Diplomatic Corps.

While it is generally conceded that Russia primarily wants the powers of the world to know that she intends to

### Brigham Young's Grandson.

Richard W. Young, of Salt Lake City, was the second witness. He has always been a Mormon, but never a polygamist. He is a son of Joseph A. Young, and grandson of Brigham Young. He spent a number of years in the Philippines where he was a magistrate, and president of the criminal branch of the supreme court of the Phil-ippine Islands. He returned from the Philippines in 1901. He is now president of one of the four stakes of Salt Lake City, to which position he was appoint-

ed by the first presidency.

Mr. Van Cott, who conducted the di rect examination, asked witness about popular sentiment in the church.

Q.-What is the sentiment of the Mor-

non people as to polygamy?

A.—It is decidedly hostile.

Q.—What are your own views?

A.-I believe it is not right.
Q.-Is there any teaching of polygamy
or is it discountenanced in the councils

Something Behind It All.

While Russia would have it understood that the note is for the purpose of calling the attention of the world to the darger that exists of an alliance be-

part of the church never did believe in it as a principle. I believe the Morthe powers alleging Chinese violation of mons have accepted the manifesto as inspired, that they indorsed the first presidency in announcing it, and all be-Gentile brethren, and to the nation, to Government's representative. After em-

ever been a candidate for office? A.—Since Statehood? Yes, twice. I was a candidate for the supreme bench and was defeated each time. Mormons are less independent than others in voting, because many of them are controlled by motives that would not influence Gentilles. Several times I have voted for candidates I did not know, rather than have my vote regarded as influenced by anything.

The Senator expressed the belief that he may have been imposed upon often in espousing claims which may later have been proven not valid. "but." he declared. "It is only by the gravest distortion and misconstruction that any of these letters, or any of my acts in reference to them, can be construed as badges of fraud and corruption.

As to Senate Precedent.

### Non-Committal Arswers.

### Punishment of Traitors.

As to the Endowment House ceremonies, witness said the attitude of pre-vious witnesses, in declining to divulge (Continued on Second Page.)

# ENDOWMENT HOUSE CHARGES FALSE, SAYS MITCHELL

Oregon Senator Denounces His Defamers on Floor of Senate and Proclaims Himself Innocent of Land Frauds.

CHALLENGES THE PRODUCTION OF EVIDENCE OF WRONGDOING

Applauded at the Conclusion of His Eloquent Defense, He Promises Not to Intrude Further on Hearers.

"I assert, in the most positive and unqualified manner that each and every one of these charges, in so far as they relate to or involve me, are absolutely unqualified and atrociously false, and I here and now indignantly and defiantly denounce their authors and each and every one of them, and

brand them publicly as malicious and atrocious liars. "I defy my defamers, and challenge them to produce any evidence, other than that of condemned thieves, forgers, and perjurers, to sustain any

### DEFENSE OF OREGON SENATOR.

bregon denounce in the United States fraud cases in Portland, Ore., goes benate this afternoon his accusers. Senator Mitchell came upon the floor most streauous m of the Senate at 12:15 and took his seat as usual. One of the first Senators who addressed him was Senator Burrows, the jury was deliberating, arguing and the jury was deliberating, arguing and the jury was deliberating. chairman of the Committee on Privi- insisting, as I am advised he did, that eges and Elections. They had a con- what I did in aiding the advanceme

versation in low tones for a few moments.

Soon afterward, Mr. Stewart of Nevada, who sits just in front of Mr. Mitchell, turned around and extended his hand. Other Senators followed from time to time, including members from both sides of the chamber. Among them were many of the newer Senators, both sides of the chamber. Among them were many of the newer Senators, while of the older colleagues of Mr Mitchell were Hale, Spooner, and Alli-

had a few words conversation with Senator Mitchell.

Five minutes later, when the morning endar to be in order. Mr. Mitchell ad-

uestion of personal privilege." "The Senator from Oregon is recognized," announced President pro tem. Frye, and immediately all eyes were turned toward Mr. Mitchell. Fifty-three Senators were present.

With dramatic fervor the Senator proclaimed his innocence of the charges upon which he, together with Representative Binger Hermann of Oregon, was recently indicted at Portland, and expressed confidence in his ultimate vindication. "The Senator from Oregon is recog-

tween Japan and China, thereby giving Japan control of 450,000,000 people, it is believed here that there is something behind it all that has not been shown.

Out of the discussion that the note has brought has arisen the idea that Rus. believed here that there is something behind it all that has not been shown.
Out of the discussion that the note has brought has arisen the idea that Russia has placed herself in a peculiar position by declaring that China is not neutral and at the same time seeking protection for her ships by disarmament in Chefoo and other Chinese ports. If Russia suddenly decides that she is to take the "free hand," it would be possible for her to get these ships ready for action and sally forth with them.

Hay Warns China.

Secretary Hay has cabled to the American legation at Pekin to investigate the construction her church never did believe in construction of the church of the church never did believe in the church never did believe in part of the church never did believe in the church saints and the church saints in fluence, witness said he could only decide that the head people of the church against that the head people of the church did not like the idea of political agit that the head people of the church against that Church and in favor of Puter's charce that the head people of the church against that Church against that Church against that Church against that Church against the case was identical with that in hundreds of others, where charce of the constituents in favor of Puter's charce.

Never Before Accused.

"In a conclusion permit me to state I have for the last forty-four and one-find the con

### Informant Denounced.

of Puter was secured through promises man, member of the bar, or as a mer phatically and specifically denying that Puter had paid him \$2,000 for his ser-

"I denounce the said S. A. D. Puter-

The Senator expressed the belief that

"It may be thought or said by some On cross-examination witness was asked as to his acquaintance with the presidents of other stakes in Utah, Answers were very indefinite. Witness thought one man was a release of the stakes in the subject of serious charges I have not been proven guilty that I have violated precedent in coming

Regarding the acceptance of revela- same right as any other Senator to come tions by the Mormons, witness thought the formal vote of the church did not affect the correctness of a revelation.

Senator in defense of my character, which is as dear to me as that of any other affect the correctness of a revelation. The overwhelming majority of the at this time to ask an investigation of Signed by Many.

The address has been largely signed by people of all classes in the capital and principal towns of Russia.

The Liberal paper. "Nasha Zhizan," says it is high time that the myriads of men sent to Manchuria should return to peaceful pursuits and the life of Russians of the church among them apostles and other church leaders.

"The overwhelming majority of the Mermon Church do accept the revelation of the church on celestial marriage," he said, "while some of the people did not accept that on the manifesto."

With the said, "while some of the people did not accept that on the manifesto."

With the about alleged polygamists whose names were mentioned, among them apostles and other church do accept that the revelation of the clarks against me by this body, I would gladly move in that direction, but, in view of the fact that an indection leader it my duty to first respend to the claims of the court. But I trust and believe the time will come when I can with propriety demand of this Senate church leaders.

### An Attack on Heney.

After quoting at length several affida,

"And now this same man Heney, rep-

Thus did Senator John H. Mitchell of resenting the Government in the land fore a grand jury and insists in the

"And I further assert that subsebeen sentenced), that Francis J. Heney, assistant United States district attorney for the district of Oregon (an importation from California), engaged with United States District Attorney John H. Hall in representing the Gov ernment in the prosecution of said "Mr. President," he said, "I rise to a case, entered into an agree the said S. A. D. Puter, Emma L. Wat-son, and others included in said con-

> Government, on the trial against Puter, Watson, and others, that what I had done for Puter and Watson, in getting their cases advanced for co was simply that of a publi

not to my knwledge, either openly or In unmistakable language the Senator by innuendo, has any charge ever been then charged that the alleged confession bade against my integrity, either as a

sibly grieved when I realize that acts supposed, and whom I had the right at that tip o suppose, were honorable citizens of my State and respected conwhom I had heard rumors. The opposition to polygamy is not confined to the young people. It is general throughout the church."

Believe in Polygamy.

Q.—Mormons believe in the abstract principle, do they not?

A.—Unquestionably.

Q.—(By Mr. Worthington). Have you ever been a candidate for office?

"I denounce the said S. A. D. Puter—this celf-confessed and duly convicted land thef, forger, and perjurer—who with his associates, facing the peniteritary, as, having under promise of leminary, as, having under promise of lemi considered a crime on my part, and that my acts should be thus wholly mis-construed and sought to be supported by the testimony of a convicted and per-jured land thief, and my name be plac-arded in every newspaper in the land as a conspirator and a bribe-taker."

### Throws Down Defi.

Criticising these public officers who knowingly misconstrue the public acts of a public man and thus seek to disdishonesty," Senator Mitchell said, in

Permit me to declare that the repre sentatives of any government who will tolerate or permit this, much less sanction it, are unworthy of the exalted po-

As for myself, I defy them here and As for mysen, I dely diem here and new to produce any evidence, worth a moment's consideration, which will connect me in any wrongful manner whatever with any land frauds in Oregon, or elsewhere Now, having said this much in explanation of and in answer to the charges against me, and thanking you all sincerely for your courteous attention. I will not further intrude on your presence."

### Mitchell Is Applauded. At 1:10 o'clock Senator Mitchell con-

cluded his remarks. As he sa' down the public galleries, and Mr. Foraker,